



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

18 May 2015

Mr. Larry Bright Valley Water Management Company 7500 Meany Avenue Bakersfield, CA 93308

NOTICE TENTATIVE CEASE AND DESIST ORDER AND PUBLIC HEARING

FOR

VALLEY WATER MANAGEMENT COMPANY RACE TRACK HILL FACILITY AND FEE 34 FACILITY, EDISON OIL FIELD KERN COUNTY

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has the authority to issue an order to cease and desist discharges of waste and direct persons to comply with requirements as set forth by the Central Valley Water Board. The Central Valley Water Board's Prosecution Team has issued a Cease and Desist Order (CDO) that proposes that the Central Valley Water Board require certain investigations, activities, and modifications to Valley Water Management Company's operations at the Race Track Hill Facility and the Fee 34 Facility in the Edison City Oil Field, as described in the enclosed tentative CDO.

Also enclosed is a Hearing Procedure that describes the date, time, and place that the Central Valley Water Board is scheduled to have the hearing to consider the adoption of the tentative CDO. The Hearing Procedure also sets forth important requirements and deadlines for participation in the hearing.

The tentative CDO may be viewed from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board decisions/tentative orders/.

Any comments or recommendations you may have concerning the tentative CDO should be submitted to this office in writing by 5:00 pm on **19 June 2015** in order that consideration may be given them prior to the meeting of the Central Valley Water Board.

If you have any questions regarding the tentative CDO or the enclosed documents, please contact Ron Holcomb at (559) 445-6050 or by email at Ronald.Holcomb@waterboards.ca.gov.

Original signed by:

EDISON OIL FIELD KERN COUNTY

Dane S. Johnson Senior Engineering Geologist PG No. 4239

Enclosures: Tentative Cease and Desist Order

Hearing Procedure

cc: (Hearing Procedure only)

Pamela Creedon, Central Valley Water Board, Rancho Cordova

Patrick Pulupa, State Water Board, Sacramento Julie Macedo, State Water Board, Sacramento

Melissa Thorme, Downey Brand LLP, Sacramento

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, San Francisco

Mike Toland, California Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources, Bakersfield

Department of Public Health, Fresno

Department of Water Resources, San Joaquin District, Fresno

Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region IV, Fresno

San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, Bakersfield

County of Kern Public Health Services Department, Bakersfield

Editor, Bakersfield Californian, Bakersfield

Hollin Kretzmann, Center for Biological Diversity, San Francisco

Gustavo Aguirre, Center on Race, Poverty and the Environment, Oakland

Andrew Grinberg, Clean Water Action, Oakland

Bruce Baizel, Earthworks, Oakland

Holly Pearen, Environmental Defense Fund, Boulder

Bill Allayaud, Environmental Working Group, Sacramento

Sierra Club, San Francisco

Blair Knox, California Independent Producers Association, Sacramento

Les Clark, Independent Oil Producers' Agency, Bakersfield

Jenifer Pitcher, Western States Petroleum Association, Bakersfield